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Applicant: Vann, et al.

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT,  
AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 15, 2002, Applicants hereby request a one (1) month extension of time to extend the time period to January 15, 2003, and further request consideration of the following remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims in accordance with the following rewritten claims in clean form. Applicants include herewith an Attachment for Claim Amendments showing a marked up version of each amended claim.